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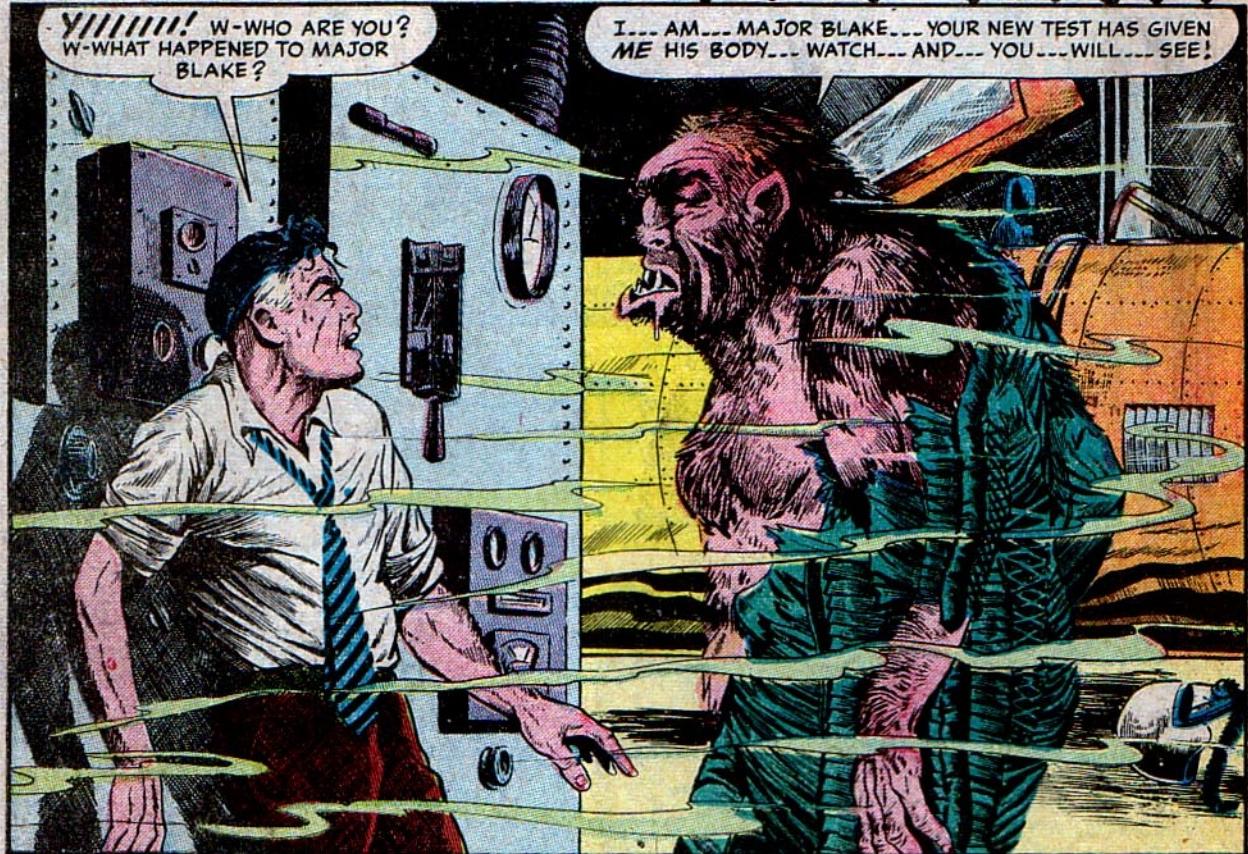


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NOTHING COULD STOP THE CREATURE THAT WAS SPEWED FORTH FROM ROCKET TEST # 34253! THE BOUNDARIES OF A NEW WORLD HAD BEEN OPENED UP TO HIM AND NOTHING COULD HOLD BACK HIS HORDES OF HORROR---FOR ONLY ONE HUMAN KNEW THAT HE EXISTED---ONE MORTAL MAN WHO HAD SEEN THE TERROR OF---

The FIEND from OUTER SPACE



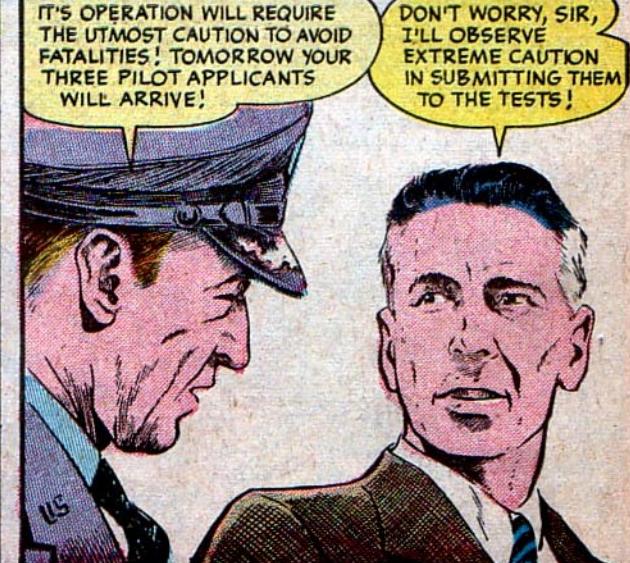
DEEP IN THE NEW MEXICO DESERT HIGH GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS EXAMINE A VITAL NEW MACHINE!

WELL, MARTIN, THERE IT
IS---THE LATEST MACHINE
TO DUPLICATE ROCKET
FLIGHT AND TEST
POSSIBLE APPLICANTS
FOR FUTURE SPACE
TRAVEL!

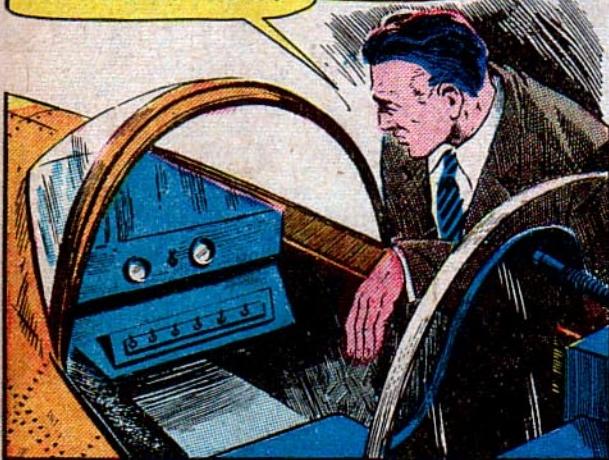
YOU'LL
BE COMPLETELY IN CHARGE,
MARTIN, AND AGAIN LET ME
WARN YOU THAT THIS
MACHINE CAN SUBMIT A MAN
TO TWENTY TIMES THE FORCE
OF GRAVITY---HIGHER THAN
ANY PREVIOUS TEST MACHINE!

IT'S OPERATION WILL REQUIRE
THE UTMOST CAUTION TO AVOID
FATALITIES! TOMORROW YOUR
THREE PILOT APPLICANTS
WILL ARRIVE!

DON'T WORRY, SIR,
I'LL OBSERVE
EXTREME CAUTION
IN SUBMITTING THEM
TO THE TESTS!



FRIGHTENING... A MAN SPUN FASTER THAN A TOP UNTIL HIS BODY TAKES ON TEN, FIFTEEN, TWENTY TIMES HIS OWN WEIGHT! I... MUST BE POSITIVE NOTHING GOES WRONG!



NEXT DAY, DOUG MARTIN INTERVIEWS THE FIRST OF THE TEST VOLUNTEERS!

MAJOR BLAKE, THIS MEETING IS JUST TO FAMILIARIZE YOU WITH THE GRAVITY MACHINE! ON THIS TEST RUN I'LL MERELY PUT YOU THROUGH A FORCE OF FIVE G'S TO ACQUAINT YOU WITH THIS OPERATION!

OKAY, MR. MARTIN, FROM THE LOOKS OF THAT CONTRAPTION SHE'LL TAKE A LOT OF GETTING USED TO!



THEN, THE MAJOR ENTERS THE COCKPIT...

THROUGH THE VIEW PLATE I'LL BE ABLE TO WATCH YOUR FACE EVERY MOMENT FOR SIGNS OF STRAIN! THERE WON'T BE ANY DANGER THIS RUN BUT WE'LL TEST HER OUT! READY?

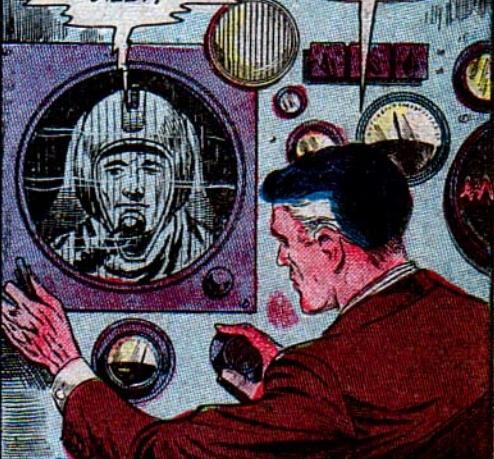
LET HER RIP!



THE COMPLICATED MACHINERY IS SET INTO MOTION, SLOWLY, THE GREAT STEEL ARM SWINGS THE MAJOR ABOUT THE CIRCULAR HOUSING!

TWO G'S MAJOR... I'M FEEDING HER MORE POWER! HOW ARE YOU?

FINE! DON'T EVEN FEEL DIZZY!



FASTER, FASTER THE GRAVITY MACHINE ROTATES IN THE CHAMBER...

THREE G'S... FOUR G'S, MAJOR... I'LL LEVEL YOU OFF AT FIVE...

RIDING COMFORTABLY SO FAR!



SUDDENLY, A SEARING BLAST RIPS OPEN THE CONTROL PANEL...

WHA...? G-GREAT GOSH!



THEN... W-WHAT'S HAPPENED?

SHE'S SHORT CIRCUITED, MAJOR! G-GREAT THUNDER... S-SHE'S GONE WILD... TEN G'S!

RRRRR
RRRRR
RRRRR



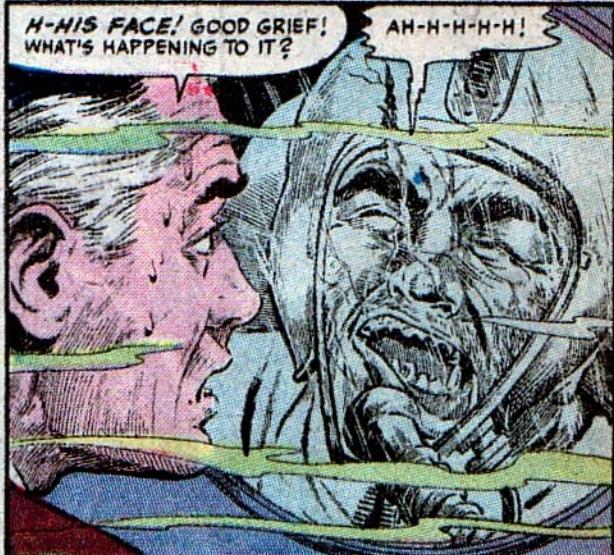
LIKE A THING GONE WILD THE MACHINE ZOOMS AT LIGHTNING LIKE SPEED ABOUT THE TEST CHAMBER!

**STOP IT! STOP IT, MARTIN!
I-I CAN'T STAND THE PRESSURE!**

I-I'M TRYING,
MAJOR! S-SHE'S...
JAMMED!

H-HIS FACE! GOOD GRIEF!
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO IT?

AH-H-H-H-H!



I-IT'S NOT HUMAN!



GOT TO STOP THE THING...
NO MAN CAN STAND THAT
FORCE OF GRAVITY!



**THE MACHINE LOSES MOMENTUM!
FRANTICALLY, MARTIN DASHES FOR
THE COCKPIT---**



AND...

YIWWWW!



MAJOR! MAJOR! W-WHAT'S
HAPPENED TO YOU? G-GO BACK
--- DON'T COME NEAR ME!

BE... STILL...
DOUG MARTIN--



STOP! STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!

**DO... NOT... FIRE...
YOUR... GUN!**

SUDDENLY...

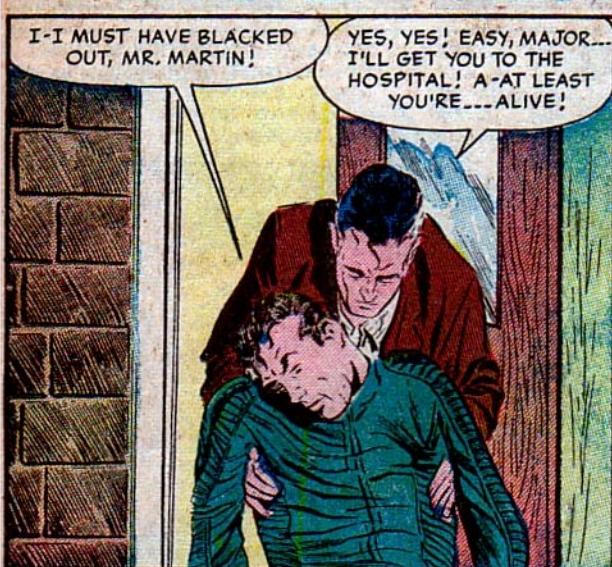
**G-GREAT HEAVENS...
I-IT'S CHANGING
FORM...**

**THANK HEAVENS! H-HE'S HIMSELF
AGAIN! MAJOR BLAKE!**



**I-I MUST HAVE BLACKED
OUT, MR. MARTIN!**

**YES, YES! EASY, MAJOR...
I'LL GET YOU TO THE
HOSPITAL! A-AT LEAST
YOU'RE... ALIVE!**



AND AFTERWARD, AT THE HOSPITAL...

**WHAT A TERRIBLE THING HAPPENED
TO MAJOR BLAKE IN THAT TEST! I-IT
WAS AS IF HE WERE SPUN INTO---
A-ANOTHER WORLD! W-WE'VE TRES-
PASSED UPON SOMETHING FIENDISH
WITH THAT MACHINE!**

**ALL RIGHT,
MAJOR! WE'VE
MADE SURE AN
ACCIDENT LIKE
THAT CAN'T
HAPPEN AGAIN!
WE'VE REPAIRED
THE MACHINE!**



**NOW, MARTIN, WHAT'S ALL
THIS FANTASTIC TALK I
HEAR YOU'VE BEEN SPOUT-
ING ABOUT MONSTERS
AND THINGS?**

**NOT TALK, MR. ANDREWS,
I SAW IT WITH MY OWN
EYES! MAJOR BLAKE
CHANGED INTO A HID-
EOUS CREATURE IN
THAT MACHINE!**



**SOMEHOW, SOMEWAY, THAT MACHINE
TRANSFORMED MARTIN INTO A
FIENDISH THING FOR TWENTY
SECONDS WHEN HIS BODY REACHED
FIFTEEN TIMES THE PULL OF GRAVITY!
THEN---HE BECAME HIMSELF
AGAIN!**

DOCTOR---

**WARD
A-
3A
6B**

HMMMM!



DON'T BE ALARMED,
MARTIN, SOMETIMES
THE RESPONSIBILITY
OF HANDLING SUCH
A PROJECT CAN
CAUSE THESE
ILLUSIONS! NOW,
WITH A LITTLE
REST...

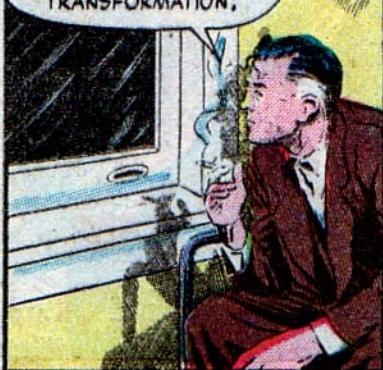
GREAT SCOTT!
YOU THINK I'M
MAD, DON'T YOU?
I TELL YOU I
SAW THAT
CREATURE!

EASY, MR.
MARTIN!

THUS, MARTIN IS HOSPITALIZED—
WITH HIS TERRIBLE SECRET!

LOCKED IN LIKE AN INSANE PERSON!
OF COURSE! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN
NOBODY WOULD BELIEVE ME! IT'S...
TOO FANTASTIC! I MUST GET TO
MAJOR BLAKE... FIND OUT IF HE
RECALLS HIS HORRIBLE
TRANSFORMATION!

THE DESPERATE MAN GOES TO THE
WINDOW...HE EASES HIS BODY OUTSIDE!
LOCKED IN LIKE A MAD DOG...
PERHAPS, SOMEHOW, I CAN REASON
WITH BLAKE... FIND OUT WHAT
HIDEOUS THING IS BEHIND ALL THIS!
HIS ROOM'S JUST DOWN THE WAY...

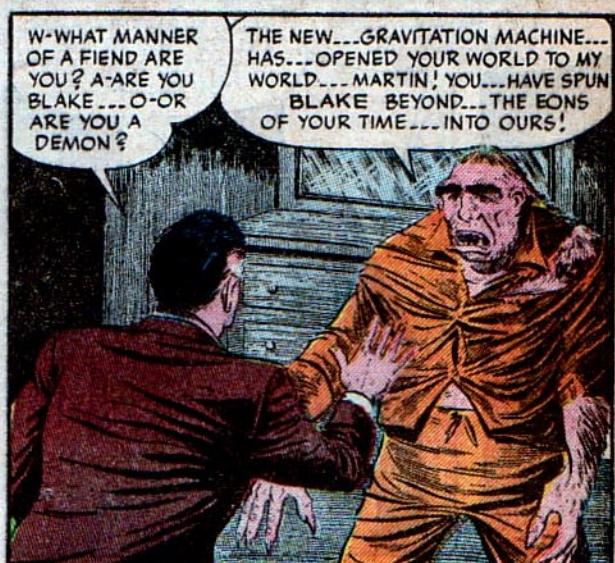


THEN... BLAKE... MAJOR
BLAKE... YA-A-A-A!

WELCOME, MARTIN...
I...HAVE... BEEN
EXPECTING... YOU!

W-WHAT MANNER
OF A FIEND ARE
YOU? A-ARE YOU
BLAKE... O-OR
ARE YOU A
DEMON?

THE NEW...GRAVITATION MACHINE...
HAS...OPENED YOUR WORLD TO MY
WORLD...MARTIN! YOU...HAVE SPUN
BLAKE BEYOND...THE EONS
OF YOUR TIME...INTO OURS!



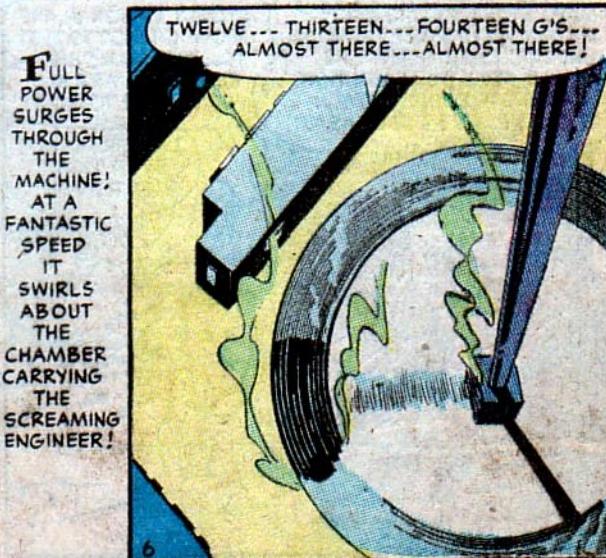
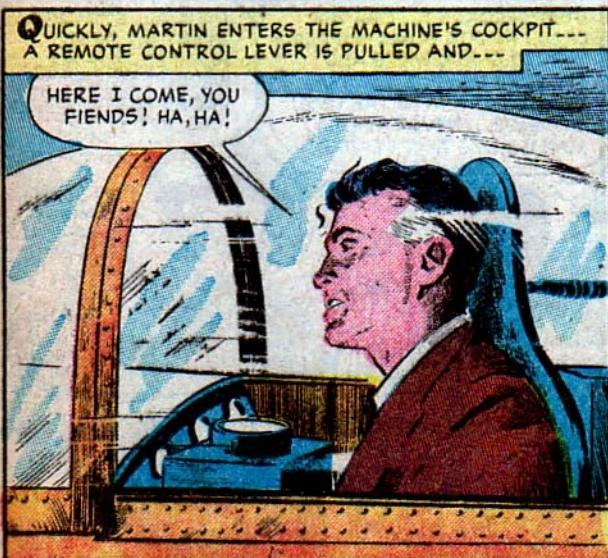
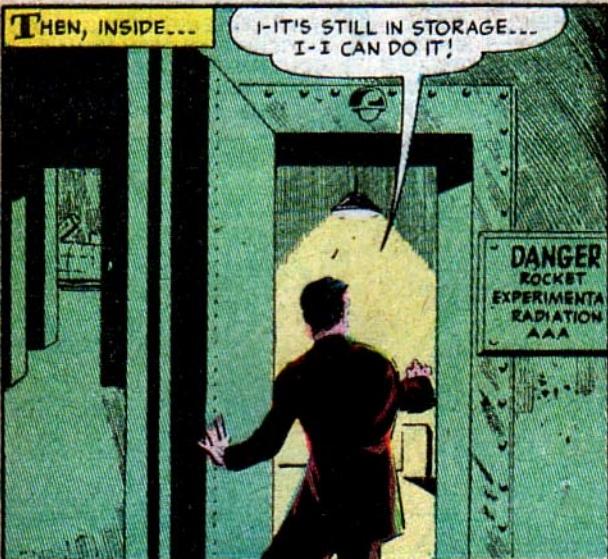
WHEN... BLAKE'S BODY... CROSSED...
THE BOUNDARIES TO... OUR WORLD
I TOOK... POSSESSION OF IT! ONLY...
YOU CAN KNOW THIS... FOR I CAN
CHANGE... TO HIS FORM AT WILL!

G-GREAT
HORRORS! WHAT
DO YOU WANT
HERE? WHY HAVE
YOU INVaded
MY WORLD?

I CAME TO
DESTROY! FOOL!
WE'LL CONQUER
YOUR WORLD!

I-IN BLAKE'S
BODY YOU'LL
SABOTAGE US!
NO, NO! I MUST
TELL THE WORLD
... I MUST
WARN THEM!





ABRUPTLY, THE POSSESSED MAN'S SENSES REEL FROM THE UNBEARABLE CENTRIFUGAL FORCE! THEN, AS 15 G'S IS REACHED...

ANOTHER HAS COME!

WE... CAN... SEND ANOTHER... EMISSARY PAST... THE BOUNDARIES!

THE BLAZES YOU CAN, YOU UGLY BRUTES!

ARMS FROM THE BEYOND CLUTCH AT MARTIN'S BODY... HIS BREATH COMES IN GASPS...

HURRY... POSSESS... HIS BODY!

NOW... GOT TO DO IT NOW!

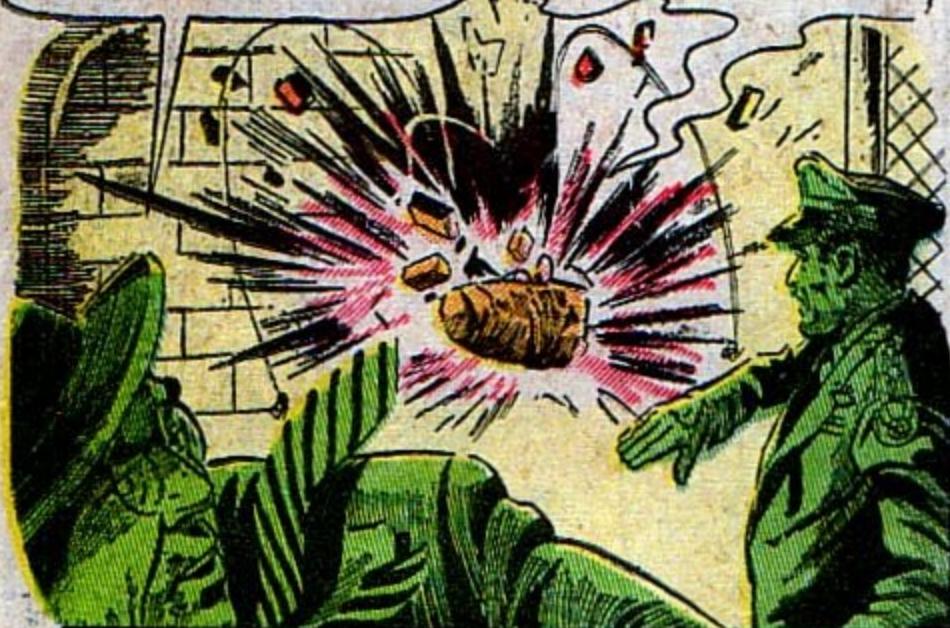
SUDDENLY, THE STEEL CONTAINER TOP IS PRIED LOOSE AND...

YAAARRGH!
EEOOWWW!

SPLIT SECONDS AFTERWARD, A TREMENDOUS NOISE ROCKS THE TEST BUILDING!

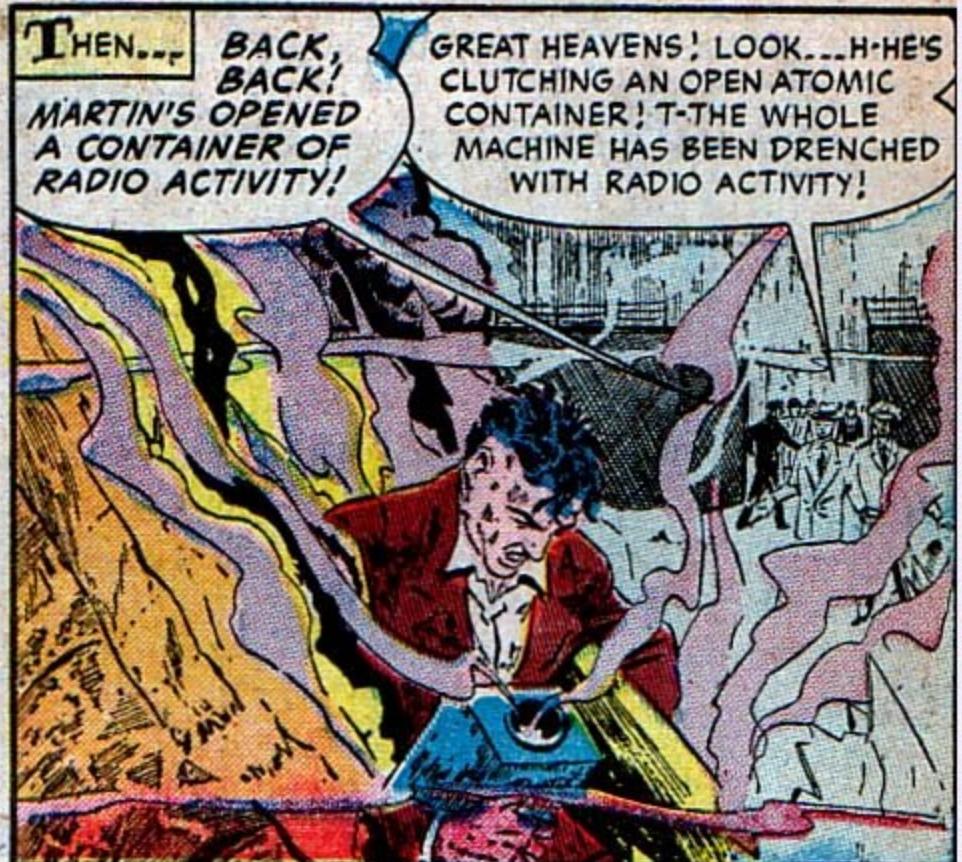
GREAT HEAVENS! T-THE MACHINE'S BEEN TURNED ON! IT'S TORN LOOSE!

KARRANG!
EEEEEEEEE!



THEN...

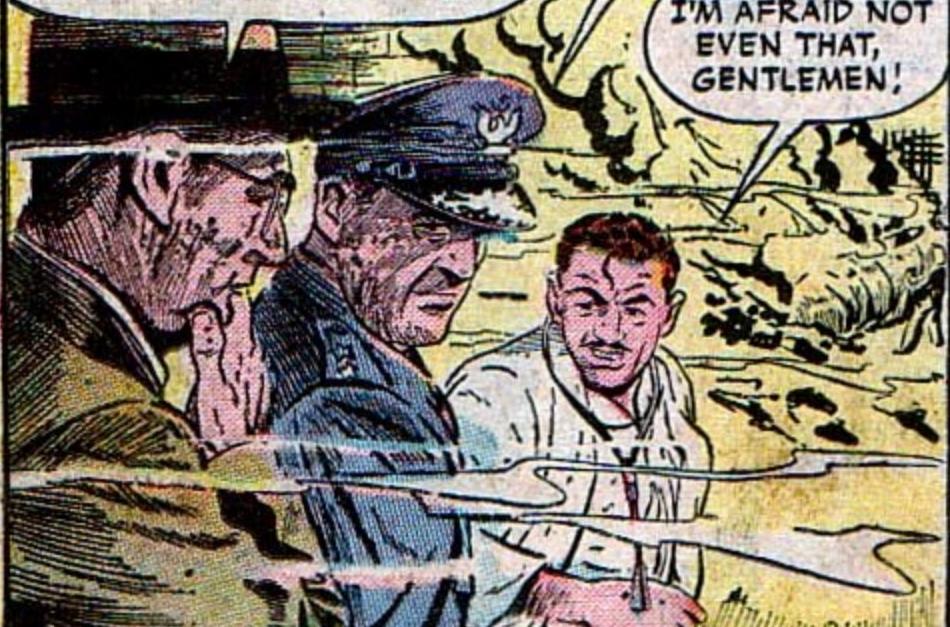
BACK, BACK!
MARTIN'S OPENED A CONTAINER OF RADIO ACTIVITY!



MAD! STONE, RAVING MAD! IF ONLY WE HAD KEPT MARTIN UNDER CLOSER GUARD HE WOULD STILL BE ALIVE! THAT MACHINE IS RUINED NOW... IT CAN NEVER BE USED AGAIN!

O-ONLY MAJOR BLAKE HAD A CHANCE TO TEST IT... ONE MAN! HIS REACTIONS ARE ALL WE'LL HAVE TO GO BY!

I'M AFRAID NOT EVEN THAT, GENTLEMEN!



JUST SECONDS BEFORE THE CRASH MAJOR BLAKE SUDDENLY TURNED CHALK WHITE AND DROPPED DEAD! I... WAS EXAMINING HIM AT THE TIME! STRANGE... NEVER SEEN A MAN GO LIKE THAT BEFORE!

I-IT'S ALL STRANGE... EVERY BIT OF IT! ALMOST AS IF WE... WEREN'T MEANT TO PROBE FURTHER INTO ROCKET FLIGHT!



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